

Product Safety Recall

N222388911 Passenger Occupant Sensing



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Revision Description: An additional column has been added to the parts table to clarify the correct part number to order. Please discard all previous copies of bulletin N222388911.

Attention: It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.

Vehicles involved in this recall were placed on stop delivery December 09, 2022. Once the service procedure contained in this bulletin has been performed on the vehicle, the vehicle is released from stop delivery and the vehicle can be delivered to the customer.

All involved vehicles that are in dealer inventory must be held and not delivered to customers, dealer traded, or used for demonstration purposes until the repair contained in this bulletin has been performed on the vehicle.

Make	Model	Model Year		RPO	Description
		From	To		
Chevrolet	Equinox	2023	2023	KU3	VENTILATED SEAT PASS-FRONT
GMC	Terrain				

Involved vehicles are marked "Open" on the Investigate Vehicle History screen in GM Global Warranty Management system. This site should always be checked to confirm vehicle involvement prior to beginning any required inspections and/or repairs.

Condition	General Motors has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in a small number of 2023 model year Chevrolet Equinox and GMC Terrain vehicles equipped with ventilated front seats. An Occupant Classification System (the "sensing system") in these vehicles is designed to disable the front passenger airbag if a small child or child restraint is detected in the seat. The vent assemblies in these seats may be missing certain foam spacers, which under certain conditions may cause the sensing system not to properly disable the airbag. If the sensing system is not able to properly identify an occupant in the front passenger seat, the airbag may deploy in a crash when the occupant protection strategy was to disable the airbag, increasing the risk of injury.
Correction	Dealers will replace the passenger presence system which includes the ventilation assembly.

Parts

Quantity	Part Name	Part Number Displayed in EPC	Part Number To Be Ordered
1	MODULE KIT, AIRBAG FRT PASS PRESENCE	84877097	86775918
1	MODULE KIT, AIRBAG FRT PASS PRESENCE	84877099	86775919

Note: Use the VIN and the GM Electronic Parts Catalog (EPC) to determine which module kit to order.

Reminder: Parts may be removed from Retail Inventory Management (RIM). Dealers should review the affected parts to confirm RIM managed status. Parts may have quantity limiters in effect.

Warranty Information

Labor Operation	Description	Labor Time	Trans. Type	Net Item
9106576	Replace Airbag Front Passenger Presence Module	1.5	ZFAT	N/A
9106583	Floor Plan Reimbursement – NEW INVENTORY ONLY	N/A		*

Note: To avoid having to "H" route the floor plan transaction for approval, it must be submitted prior to the repair transaction.

Floor Plan Reimbursement – NEW INVENTORY ONLY

* **USA & Canada Only** – For vehicles eligible for floor plan reimbursement, the amount should be submitted in Net Item/Miscellaneous. This amount should represent the product of the vehicle's average daily interest rate (see table below) multiplied by the actual number of days the vehicle was in dealer inventory and not available for sale. This reimbursement is limited to the number of days from the date of the stop delivery message (December 09, 2022) to the date the repair is completed, and the vehicle is ready for sale (not to exceed 33 days).

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Vehicle	Floor Plan Reimbursement Amount	
	USA	Canada
2023 Chevrolet Equinox	\$6.99	N/A
2023 GMC Terrain	\$8.21	\$7.76

Service Procedure

1. Remove and discard the airbag front passenger presence module. Refer to *Airbag Front Passenger Presence Module Replacement* in SI.
2. Install the new airbag front passenger presence module. Refer to *Airbag Front Passenger Presence Module Replacement* in SI.

Dealer Responsibility – For USA & Export (USA States, Territories, and Possessions)

It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.

The US National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act provides that each vehicle that is subject to a recall of this type must be adequately repaired within a reasonable time after the customer has tendered it for repair. A failure to repair within sixty days after tender of a vehicle is prima facie evidence of failure to repair within a reasonable time. If the condition is not adequately repaired within a reasonable time, the customer may be entitled to an identical or reasonably equivalent vehicle at no charge or to a refund of the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for depreciation. To avoid having to provide these burdensome remedies, every effort must be made to promptly schedule an appointment with each customer and to repair their vehicle as soon as possible. In the recall notification letters, customers are told how to contact the US National Highway Traffic Safety Administration if the recall is not completed within a reasonable time.

Dealer Responsibility – All

All new, used, GM Certified Used, courtesy transportation vehicles, dealer shuttle vehicles, etc. in dealers' possession and subject to this recall must be held and inspected/repaired per the service procedure of this bulletin before customers take possession of these vehicles. Involved vehicles must be held and not delivered to customers, dealer-traded, released to auction, used for demonstration, or any other purpose.

All GM Certified Used vehicles currently in the dealers' inventory within the Certified Pre-Owned Inventory System (CPOIS) will be de-certified and must be held and remedied per the service procedure in this bulletin. Upon submitting an accepted/paid warranty transaction in the Global Warranty Management (GWM) system, the vehicle can be re-certified for sale within the CPOIS system, or once again be used in the CTP program.

Dealers are to service all vehicles subject to this recall at no charge to customers, regardless of mileage, age of vehicle, or ownership, from this time forward.

Customers who have recently purchased vehicles sold from your vehicle inventory, and for which there is no customer information indicated on the dealer listing, are to be contacted by the dealer. Arrangements are to be made to make the required correction according to the instructions contained in this bulletin. A copy of the customer letter is provided in this bulletin for your use in contacting customers. Recall follow-up cards should not be used for this purpose, since the customer may not as yet have received the notification letter.

In summary, whenever a vehicle subject to this field action enters your vehicle inventory you must take the steps necessary to ensure the program correction has been made before selling the vehicle. In addition, for vehicles entering your facility for service, you are required to ensure the customer is aware of the open field action and make every reasonable effort to implement the program correction as set forth in this bulletin prior to releasing the vehicle.

Dealer Reports – For USA & Export

For dealers with involved vehicles, a listing has been prepared and will be available through GM GlobalConnect Maxis Field Action Reports or sent directly to export dealers. The Inventory tab of the dealer reports will contain VINs that apply to this recall. This information is intended to assist dealers with the **PROMPT COMPLETION** of these vehicles. The Customer In-Service tab will contain customer names and addresses from Motor Vehicle Registration Records. The use of such motor vehicle registration data for any purpose other than follow-up necessary to complete this recall may be a violation of law in several states.

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Courtesy Transportation – For USA & Canada

Courtesy transportation is available for customers whose vehicles are involved in a product program and still within the warranty coverage period. See General Motors Service Policies and Procedures Manual for courtesy transportation program details.

Customer Notification

USA & Canada - General Motors will notify customers of this recall on their vehicle (see copy of customer letter included with this bulletin).

GM bulletins are intended for use by professional technicians, NOT a "do-it-yourselfer". They are written to inform these technicians of conditions that may occur on some vehicles, or to provide information that could assist in the proper service of a vehicle. Properly trained technicians have the tools, equipment, safety instructions, and know-how to do a job properly and safely. If a condition is described, DO NOT assume that the bulletin applies to your vehicle, or that your vehicle will have that condition. See your dealer for information on whether your vehicle may benefit from the information.



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IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

January 2023

This notice applies to your vehicle, **VIN:** _____

Dear General Motors Customer:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

General Motors has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in a small number of 2023 model year Chevrolet Equinox and GMC Terrain vehicles equipped with ventilated front seats. As a result, GM is conducting a safety recall. We apologize for this inconvenience. However, we are concerned about your safety and continued satisfaction with our products.

IMPORTANT

- Your vehicle is involved in GM safety recall N222388911.
- Schedule an appointment with your GM dealer.
- This service will be performed for you at **no charge**.

Why is your vehicle being recalled?

An Occupant Classification System (the “sensing system”) in these vehicles is designed to disable the front passenger airbag if a small child or child restraint is detected in the seat. The vent assemblies in these seats may be missing certain foam spacers, which under certain conditions may cause the sensing system not to properly disable the airbag. If the sensing system is not able to properly identify an occupant in the front passenger seat, the airbag may deploy in a crash when the occupant protection strategy was to disable the airbag, increasing the risk of injury.

What will we do?

Your GM dealer will replace the passenger seat cushion assembly. This service will be performed for you at no charge. Because of service scheduling requirements, it is likely that your dealer will need your vehicle longer than the actual service correction time of approximately 1 hour and 35 minutes.

What should you do?

You should contact your GM dealer to arrange a service appointment as soon as possible.

Do you have questions?

If you have any questions or concerns that your dealer is unable to resolve, please contact the appropriate Customer Assistance Center at the number listed below.

For the hearing or speech impaired, please contact our Customer Assistance Center using the Telecommunication Relay Service by dialing 711 then providing the appropriate Customer Assistance Center number for your vehicle.

Division	Number	Text Telephones (TTY)
Chevrolet	1-800-222-1020	711 / 1-800-833-2438
GMC	1-800-462-8782	711 / 1-800-833-2438
Puerto Rico – English	1-866-467-9700	
Puerto Rico – Español	1-866-467-9700	
Virgin Islands	1-866-467-9700	

If after contacting your dealer and the Customer Assistance Center, you are still not satisfied we have done our best to remedy this condition without charge and within a reasonable time, you may wish to write the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1.888.327.4236 (TTY 1.800.424.9153), or go to <http://www.nhtsa.gov>. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Campaign ID Number for this recall is 22V929.

Federal regulation requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

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